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The CARC meets the third Wednesday of the month at 8:00 PM.
NEXT MEETING IS JUNE 15th at the Emergency Preparedness Center.

CANTON CHAPTER QCWA CELEBRATES 20th ANNIVERSARY

The Canton Chapter of the QCWA, celebrated their 20th anniversary with a dinner meeting at the Atwood Lodge. Canton Chapter #21 was started in May 1963, and is still going strong. With about 70 in attendance, after a very delicious meal, preceded by some picture taking, a short business meeting followed. A lot of reminiscing, of the last 20 years with the highlights given by President Nelson Caley WSEAR. Henry WSOYV displayed some of his "antique collection", which included a spark gap rig. A very impressive list of Charter Members was read, including the ones that are now Silent Keys.

For the evening program, we were very fortunate in having Welton Stein WASJLM and his wife, from the Sugarcreek area, with us to share their trips to Australia to visit with their daughter who is teaching in the far away country. Weldon showed the many colorful slides they took on the trips and gave a very informative commentary on Australia, including some sights of things that are found only in Australia. A very delightful evening was had by all that attended.

MAY CARC MEETING MINUTES by Art W8FEC

The May meeting got underway at 8:05 PM. Had only 31 in attendance, about one quarter our membership roll! Even the Veep and Charlie Scott were AWOL. Charlie, in June tell 'em about special mission. Something to do with the Pilots Association.

W8INJ and KC8ON said "No" to the reading of last month's minutes. A resounding affirmative vote carried the motion.

Treasurer's report- \$3241 in the bank, mostly savings at 51%, \$800 out in Hamfest funds. Total loss for the month \$318.

Status of proposed Special Event HOF station at end of July, was first order of old business. Dick WB8VUN, indicated that HOF was restricted in the advertising they can do, but there appears to be no reason why W8AL could not "advertise". We will, if we can get the operators for a total of eight hours over two days. July 30 has been set aside for CW only. Operating frequencies are 7068, 14068, and 21068. July 31 for phone, frequencies 7277, 14277 and 21377 khz. Operating time each day, around 1700Z to 2100Z, depending upon response, from those interested. SASE should be submitted to Secy W8FEC, who will handle QSLing.

We're well intrenched in the '83 HOF Hamfest. Prizes this year indicate an ambitious effort to attract layman, plus the ham. Tickets, prizes only, (Apple II+ and green monitor; Handheld; & Wattmeter) are \$2.00 each, or 3 for \$5.00. A minimum of 600 tickets ought to be sold prior to "H" day. Gary WASADA, indicated a need for a "Food Supervisor" and for tables and Porta-Jons. Seems like the "Jons" are rented on a 30 day basis. Effort will be made to have Nimishillen Grange improve their facilities, however. Grass should be moved too, so we can see the flea marketeers. Next HOF coordination meeting, over banana splits, at Butler's 7:30 PM, 20 June 1983.

Prez asked for comments on the Dayton Hamvention. Apparently the gang that went on the bus had a great time. Understand there were prizes on the bus before they got to Dayton! Those who drove encountered parking problems. Congestion galore. The orchard next to the Arena was too muddy to accommodate the usual amount of cars, so they parked elsewhere. Then the Sheriff had 'em towed away. "Never again," sayeth those involved. Computers and software becoming more evident. Crowd in Arena was-wall-to-wall, while raining. Particularly around the Kenwood booths! So we walked "lock-step". At the CW contest, one fellow copied 65 wpm and two copied 68 wpm. Lesse, an "A" is dash-dot. Right?

Appears the Port-a-peater has been "found". Wasn't where we thought it might be. Now that battery.....

Herb says, "Let's (YOU) get some interesting material to Bill, JZN for inclusion in the Feedline. Plaudits are due JZN, OU, and LNJ, for the dissemination of much material on Sunday and Tuesday nets. Thanks guys!

See coming events, May Feedline. Goodyear Hamfest, June 12th, Wingfoot.

Three cheers to WASIZR. First applicant for QST through the clubs! If you renew, please place top line of mailing label of QST wrapper on subscriber's application (last Feedline). Also for you youngsters (under 17) and oldsters over.../..., p-u-l-e-e-z-e prove age by drivers license copy, birth certificate copy, what-ever-also copy. Gotta forward to ARRL with application. These requirements are spelled out in the April & June 81 QST's.

That \$2000 to go into savings or money market fund, well George WSYHU says same income, whether S&L CD's or Money Market Funds nowadays. The

PUBLIC SERVICE

Part 97.1 of the FCC Rules and Regulations spell out a fundamental purpose of the Amateur Radio Service as (a) Recognition and enhancement of the value of the Amateur Service to the public as a voluntary noncommercial communications service, particulary with respect to providing emergency communications.

For the month of May, the area hams have certainly been busy doing this with communications for six events. First came the Health Run on May 7 with Dave WD8AYE Coordinating communications. Other participating hams were Dick KC8OU, Don KA8CJZ, Bill K8JZN, Everett N8EIL, Harley W8ETK, Gordy K4FID, Jim WD8OIZ, Paul WD8CPS, Scott KK8D, Jeanette N8DCS, Terry N8ATZ, Charlie K8BYC and Randy KA8PDE, for a total of fourteen. Others were standing by if more were needed. It was a well organized event to promote the importance of the running exercise for good health.

Then on the 15th, two events took place with the JC's Bike-A-Thon held in the East Canton area. Rick WD8AYC did the coordinating, with Dick KC8OU taking over when Rick had to leave for work. Others helping were Terry N8ATZ, Jeanette, N8DCS, Marion WB8MSE and Dave W8LNJ.

The same day, the Alliance May Day Walk-A-Thon took place. Butch WB8-SHP did the coordinating. Did not get a list of the Amateurs that participated in this event.

Then on the 22nd, came the annual Gold-Rush Walk-A-Thon. Along with the Walk-A-Thon came the rains. It may have dampened the spirits of some, but a lot of credit has to be given the many that completed the long walk. Jess WSLDQ again was the coordinator for the Amateur communications and as usual did a commendable job. Joe WSKDM was there with his mobile travel home, which served as the communications control point. It sure came in handy to get out of the rain when it came down. Stark County Wilderness Center was the main charitable organization to benefit from the donations received, by the walkers pledges. Besides Jess and Joe, others that helped were Jerry KISD, Dave WSLNJ, Charlie K8BYC, Henry W8OYV, Rick WD8AYC, Jeanette N8DCS, Dick KC8OU, Kay W8LNK, Everett NSEIL, Frank KESG, Roger NSCXG, Gary KDSAM, Jim WDSOIZ, Terry NSATZ, Gary KASMHZ, Gloria KASMNU and Bill KSJZN at the Weather Bureau to keep the officials updated on the weather conditions. Stew WSADQ on Ohio Bell with a couple calls and Tim WD8JTR calling the Weather Bureau till Bill got there. The Cutler cars were absent this year, but the Canton REACT group supplied the pick-up cars. The blaring loud speaker certainly was not necessary, nor appreciated, at the Control station, from the React van stationed there. A special "THANKS" from Jess W8LDQ to all that helped in this public service event.

On Wednesday evening May 25th, the Timken Mercy Medical Center held a surprise disaster drill. Our Emergency Coordinator Dave WD8AYE, was called and he put the wheels in motion. Charlie K8BYC and Harley W8ETK were called to the hospital and provided the communications, with Dave at the scene of the simulated Disaster. Earl WA8ATU assumed the Net Control duties and asked for volunteers to stand by in case they would be needed. A total of seventeen answered the call, ready to help out. They were Denny K8AGB, Jeanette N8DCS, Warren KC8ON, Nelson W8EAR, Jim KA8PBA, Doris WD8IKC, Rick WD8AYC, Ed KA8JMW, Keith W8SSA, Denny K8NIB Pat WB8VLK, Art WD8MMG, John WD8MBN, Jim N8AZO, Rick KC3UQ, and we had Bob W8CCG from Doylestown, checking in to see if he could be of assistance. The first call for help was at 7:51 PM and the net was secured at 8:50 PM. From the hospital, a "Well Done", and from Dave WD8AYE, a big thanks to all that helped and to those that answered the call. The listeners were there when needed. The moral is to monitor.

GNMA, however, has interest over 11%, but these are long term investments. Ken W8EK, says there are other Money Market Fund organizations, away from Canton, that should be contacted. So, no decsion until next month. Secy has got to check further.

It is a long weary journey, ask Bill (KSJZN). That is when he is not gnashing his teeth. Seems like the club wants to persist, in getting those mailing privileges. Ken WSEK mentioned that ARRL may be able to help through special counsel. Secy to check with Bill & ARRL. For the meantime, we can't comply with a 21 day deadline imposed by IRS, so the subject is dead. KCSON and KCSOU made motion, seconded, that we try again. Passed.

Huntington, W.VA., is having a hamfest June 12th. They asked us if we wished to sell some of their tickets, part of the "take" coming back to us. Distance is too far though. Also competition with Goodyear Hamfest. Rejected by group. Huntington advised by Secy.

Ron Coffman WD8MBF, proposed on behalf of a group he is working with, that a 450 mhz station be installed temporarily at the Brunnerdale facility W8AL. Except that the call "W8AL" would not be assigned for operation, since it would not be under the control of Scott KK8D. Permission was granted to Ron. W8EK made motion, seconded by W8LNJ.

A motion was made to send \$25.00 to the Nimishillen Grange immediately after Field Day, as a token of thanks for the use of their property. The Grange passes this along to the Friendly Hills Camp, one of their favorite projects. Proposed by WASADA and seconded by WBSVUN.

Finally Ken gave his ARRL and W5YI report. In summary, several points included; ARRL response to the no-code proposal by "No Code- No Way"!! Volunteer examiners may be asked to charge token amount to cover administrative costs of examination. This is in controversy at the moment, but the charge may still be less than travel costs to a testing point. What questions to be asked on FCC exams? Ken says he has a guide on how to propose specific questions. It is lengthy. See him if interested. Ten meter FM, may be permitted, to move down to 29 mhz. Don't write your congressman re: "No Code". Implication is that if you mention "hordes of people, may invade ham spectrum", those hordes may be votes he can use.

Adjourned at about 9:25 PM, thanks to KC8UQ and KE8G. Long night it was but donuts that were almost forgotten, were delicious....

Addendum - no discussion. Field Day package is in. Plan on spending some time at Nimishillen Grange. Operators are needed. One wearies at 3 AM. An experimental CCD antenna will be available for one of the rigs. If you're not familiar with this invention of W4FD, as presented in 73 magazine, see it Field Day. Seems it can lay on the ground, and still "put out" an S-9 signal hundreds of miles away!

Career Opportunity: CIA is looking for Electronic Technicians, minimum requirement is an Associate Degree, or equivalent Tech Training. GS-7 or GS-8 pay scale, plus benefits. Secy has announcement.

Some people are County Hunters. Others are State Hunters. Now there is a new challenge- "Square Hunters". This occurs on VHF where the globe has been broken down into lettered, and numbered grids. It is covered in the January 1983 QST. Malvern is EN90, what's yours? G3POI has collected 382 squares so far!

From Goodyear Newsletter- Sign on wall of Amateur Radio Outlet Store; "The brain may form opinions, but the pocketbook makes the decisions".

The sixth event of the month was the Memorial Day Parade, held on Monday May 30th. The Amateurs were asked to provide communications between the first aid stations and along the route, should anyone need medical attention. Again Dave WD8AYE, was at the command post, located at the foot of McKinley Monument, and was the control station. Along the parade route were Herb WD8IPE, Everett N8EIL, Terry N8ATZ, Gary KA8MHZ, and Bill K8JZN. The new Red Cross van was used for the control point, and was in touch with several agencies, should the need arise. The patriotic crowd along the parade route was a little thin, but their patriotism was not. Some people forget too easily. There was a brief ceremony on the steps at the monument, following the parade.

The month of June should be light, in charitable events, but July is just around the corner, and that means Football Hall of Fame parades. Dick WB8VUN will be handling the Junior parade on July 24th, and Bill K8JZN will do the coordinating for the big main parade on July 30th on Saturday. If you wish to volunteer for either event, contact Dick and Bill by the end of June or the first part of July.

IT HAPPENED NOVEMBER 3, 1946

Thanks to Charlie KSBYC, we received a news article about one of our club members. The article was carried on the International News Service as well as the Associated Press and the United Press.

Paul Hughes WEUTL, was tuning around on ten meters on this Sunday November 3rd, 1946, when he received a call, "Trapped in a terrific snow storm 65 miles west of Albuquerque, can you get help?" Paul broke in and asked for more info. Dale Hauck of Battlecreek Michigan, was mobiling in New Mexico when he was caught in the snow storm. He sent out the call from his car. He reported, "There are almost 300 cars, in a traffic tieup on U.S. route 66 about 65 miles west of Albuquerque. It is snowing heavily and very cold. Traffic is moving, but slowly. Many cars are running out of gas. Please call the New Mexico State Police and ask them to send help."

Paul put out a call for Albuquerque, or vicinity, emergency. Within a few minutes Foy Rogers, an Albuquerque ham answered. Mr Rogers notified the state police, who had not heard of the tieup. It only took 26 minutes to relay the message to the state police, even though the message had to travel 1400 mile to Ohio, and back to Albuquerque, another 1400 mile, through the miracle of Amateur Radio.

An interesting sidelight was when Mrs Keith Moburg from Canton, read the account in the Repository, she noted the man who radioed the call for aid was named Dale Hauck. That was the name of a cousin she had not seen since he entered service five years ago. She called Paul, obtained an address, and soon learned it was indeed her cousin. He had been going to Medical School in California, and was returning home, when he was caught in the snow storm. Thanks to Amateur Radio, a call fo help was answered and two cousins were back in touch with each other.

TID BITS by Art WSFEC

Ion generators, a device that removes dust from the air, can cause the build-up of "static electricity" devasting to computer equipment and storage media. Recommend three to six feet between ion generator and electronic gear.

Laser beam machining provides highly controlled cutting for metal or wood. Same equipment can be used to weld and heat treat. Fully automated systems cost \$75 to \$100,000. Anyone interested???